

IN THE CLAIMS

1. (currently amended) A surgical device ~~(1)~~ apt to the removal of bone, cartilaginous and the like tissues during surgery, comprising:

a pair of side-by-side blades ~~(3, 4)~~, slidably coupled so that respective distal ends ~~(31, 41)~~ thereof be closable the one against the other for the removal of a tissue fragment ~~(Θ)~~;

propelling means ~~(6)~~, connected or connectible to a blade ~~(3)~~ of said pair ~~(3, 4)~~ and apt to determine the sliding thereof with respect to the other ~~(4)~~ of said blades; and

operation means ~~(11)~~ for the operation of said propelling means ~~(6)~~ by a user.
- 2-23 (canceled)
24. (currently amended) A surgery kit, comprising a surgical device ~~(1)~~ according to ~~any one of the preceding~~ claims 1 and a plurality of osteotomy blades ~~(3, 4)~~ removably connectible to said propelling means ~~(6)~~.
25. (canceled)
26. (currently amended) A surgery apparatus, comprising a surgical device ~~(1)~~ according to ~~any one of the claims 1 to 23~~ and a neuro-navigation system associated thereto.
27. (new) The device according to claim 1, wherein said slidable blade of said pair is removably connected or connectible to said propelling means.

28. (new) The device according to claim 1, wherein the arrangement is such that said slidable blade of said pair automatically returns to a resting position when the user releases said operation means.
29. (new) The device according to claim 1, wherein the arrangement is such that the blades of said pair can rotate with respect to said operation means, during surgery, about an axis of rotation substantially parallel to the blades themselves.
30. (new) The device according to claim 1, wherein said operation means comprises a trigger device.
31. (new) The device according to claim 1, comprising a main body apt to be handled by a user and connected or connectible to said pair of blades.
32. (new) The device according to claim 31, wherein said operation means are located at said main body.
33. (new) The device according to claim 32, wherein said main body comprises a portion apt to be handled by a user by a single hand, and wherein said operation means are located at said portion.
34. (new) The device according to claim 31, wherein said propelling means is received within said main body.

35. (new) The device according to claim 31, wherein the blades of said pair are removably connected or connectible to said main body.
36. (new) The device according to claim 1, wherein said propelling means are of a pneumatic type.
37. (new) The device according to claim 36, wherein said propelling means comprises a piston apt to produce the sliding of said slidable blade of said pair of blades.
38. (new) The device according to claim 37, wherein said piston is coupled to said slidable blade of said pair of blades by interposition of a motion transmission member.
39. (new) The device according to claim 38, wherein said motion transmission member is a lever rotatably connected at opposed ends thereof to said slidable blade of said pair of blades and to the stem of said piston, respectively, and moreover rotatably connected to a chassis of the device at a central portion thereof.
40. (new) The device according to claim 36, wherein said propelling means comprises a supply valve of a or of said pneumatic piston and said operation means cooperates with said supply valve.
41. (new) The device according to claim 36, wherein said propelling means comprises an intake for supplying compressed air from the outside.

- 42. (new) The device according to claim 1, comprising means for adjusting the closing force of the blades.
- 43. (new) The device according to claim 1, comprising means for adjusting the relative sliding speed of the blades of said pair.
- 44. (new) The device according to claim 36, comprising means for adjusting the relative sliding speed of the blades of said pair, wherein said means for adjusting the sliding speed comprises flow adjusting means.
- 45. (new) The device according to claim 43, wherein said operation means are such that the relative sliding speed of the blades of said pair depends on the user's speed of handling the operation means themselves.
- 46. (new) The device according to claim 1, comprising means for inhibiting operation of said propelling means.
- 47. (new) The device according to claim 1, comprising means for preventing bone fragment entrapment between the blades of said pair.
- 48. (new) The device according to claim 1, comprising means for cooperating with a neuro-navigation system.

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49. (new) The kit according to claim 24, comprising means for connection with pneumatic supply means.